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23.901 Purpose.

This subpart implements the requirements of Executive Order (E.O.) 13148 of April 21, 2000, Greening the Government through Leadership in Environmental Management.

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23.902 General.

- (a) The Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA) and the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990 (PPA) established programs to protect public health and the environment by providing the public with important information on the toxic chemicals being released by manufacturing facilities into the air, land, and water in its communities.
- (b) Under EPCRA section 313 (42 U.S.C. 11023), and PPA section 6607 (42 U.S.C. 13106), the owner or operator of certain manufacturing facilities is required to submit annual reports on toxic chemical releases and waste management activities to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the States. See EPA's Web site at http://www.epa.gov/tri for guidance.

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23.903 Applicability.

- (a) This subpart applies to all competitive contracts expected to exceed \$100,000 and competitive 8(a) contracts.
 - (b) This subpart does not apply to—
- (1) Acquisitions of commercial items as defined in part 2; or
- (2) Contractor facilities located outside the United States and its outlying areas.

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23.904 Policy.

- (a) It is the policy of the Government to purchase supplies and services that have been produced with a minimum adverse impact on community health and the environment.
- (b) Federal agencies, to the greatest extent practicable, shall contract with companies that report in a public man-

ner on toxic chemicals released to the environment.

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23.905 Requirements.

- (a) E.O. 13148 requires that solicitations for competitive contracts expected to exceed \$100,000 include, to the maximum extent practicable, as an award eligibility criterion, a certification by an offeror that, if awarded a contract, either—
- (1) As the owner or operator of facilities to be used in the performance of the contract that are subject to Form R filing and reporting requirements, the offeror will file, and will continue to file throughout the life of the contract, for such facilities, the Toxic Chemical Release Inventory Form (Form R) as described in EPCRA sections 313 (a) and (g) and PPA section 6607: or—
- (2) Facilities to be used in the performance of the contract are exempt from Form R filing and reporting requirements because the facilities—
- (i) Do not manufacture, process, or otherwise use any toxic chemicals listed under section 313(c) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. 11023(c);—
- (ii) Do not have 10 or more full-time employees as specified in section 313(b)(1)(A) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. 11023(b)(1)(A);—
- (iii) Do not meet the reporting thresholds of toxic chemicals established under section 313(f) of EPCRA, 42 U.S.C. 11023(f) (including the alternate thresholds at 40 CFR 372.27, provided an appropriate certification form has been filed with EPA);—
- (iv) Do not fall within the following Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes or their corresponding North American Industry Classification System sectors:
- (A) Major group code 10 (except 1011, 1081, and 1094.
 - (B) Major group code 12 (except 1241).
- (C) Major group codes 20 through 39.
- (D) Industry code 4911, 4931, or 4939 (limited to facilities that combust coal and/or oil for the purpose of generating power for distribution in commerce).
- (E) Industry code 4953 (limited to facilities regulated under the Resource